

### In the Specification

Amend the first full paragraph on page 7 of the entered substitute specification filed on June 30, 2006 as follows:

Fig. 2 shows a section of a strip of a micro-adhesive closing element 7, similar to that disclosed in DE 196 46 318 A1. The thermoplastic strip (for example, polyolefines or blends of polyamides) is formed in the gap between top and bottom shaping tools, and forms a foil-like carrier 9 with fingers 11 protruding from its top and bottom, respectively. Fingers 11 protrude from the top of carrier 9, have thickened ends forming mushroom-shaped or plate-shaped heads 13, and come into interlocking engagement with the loopless material of backside 5 of carpet. The fingers directly engage the carpet backside. According to the mechanical construction and quality of the structure of backside 5 of the relevant carpet, the arrangement of fingers 11 has a packing density of approximately 20 to 600 fingers 11 per cm<sup>2</sup>, with a thickness of carrier 9 of approximately 0.1 to 0.5 mm. Other packing densities and/or thicknesses of carrier 9 can of course be used according to the special circumstances. Such fingers are also on the bottom of carrier 9. Fingers 11 on the bottom of carrier 9 interlock with loopless material 21 fastened via member 23 to floor surface 25, as shown in Fig. 1.